

SAVE COATE FROM DEVELOPMENT

We, the undersigned, believe that development of the Coate area will have a devastating impact on wildlife at Coate Water nature reserve. It would desecrate an area that has strong historic, literary and recreational attractions and destroy the last remaining pocket of unspoilt countryside close to Swindon. Coate Water Site of Special Scientific Interest contributes to the very best of the rich variety and abundance of wildlife that makes England's nature special and distinct from any other country in the world.

We demand that a one kilometre buffer of land is left undeveloped next to Coate Water.

We call upon Swindon Borough Council to say NO to development at Coate.

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Save Coate! is supported by local Swindon organisations and concerned individuals that include Friends of the Earth, Trades Union Council, Animal Concern, Campaign to Protect Rural England, Greenpeace, Civic Trust, Friends of Coate Water, Green Party, Socialist Alliance and the Richard Jefferies Society

Please return this petition to Save Coate!, Pear Tree Cottage, Longcot, Faringdon, Oxon SN7 7SS by 31 December 2004.